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SUBJ: SHEFFIELD EXTRADITION REQUEST

REF : A-4611 AND PREVIOUS

1. SUMMARY: COUR HAS REJECTED U.S. REQUEST TO EXTRADITE
SHEFFIELD, END SUMMARY.

2. WHILE DISCUSSING SEVERAL ARREST CASES BY PHONE WITH
CONSULAR
OFFICIAL AUGUST 11, CONOFF WAS TOLD THAT
FSFA HAD RECEIVED PHONE MESSAGE AUGUST 8 FROM MUNICIPAL
COURT JUDGE CONCERNED WITH SHEFFIELD EXTRADITION PROCESS.
JUDGE INFORMED FSFA OFFICIAL THAT COURT HAS TURNED DOWN
REQUEST. NO REASON GIVEN.

3. FSFA OFFICIAL SAID CASE NOW GOES TO SERBIAN REPUBLIC
COURT. ALTHOUGH FSFA OFFICIAL NOT CERTAIN, IT APPEARS
THIS IS APPEAL PROCEDURE. FSFA OFFICIAL SAID IT HIS
"OPINION" THAT COURT TURNED DOWN REQUEST BECAUSE "ALL
THAT HAPPENED FIVE YEARS AGO."

4. CONOFF EXPRESSED SURPRISE AND STRONG DISPLEASURE THAT
EMBASSY HAD NOT BEEN ADVISED THAT COURT HEARING SCHEDULED
AS HE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT EMBASSY COULD SEND OBSERVER..1
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CONOFF ALSO SAID IT HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT EMBASSY WAS

TO HAVE BEEN PERMITTED OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS CASE WITH
GOY LAWYER REPRESENTING U.S. GOVERNMENT INTEREST BEFORE
HEARING. CVFA OFFICIAL REPLIED ONLY THAT FSFA UNAWARE
HEARING SCHEDULED. WHEN CONOFF INQUIRED OF FSFA OFFICIAL
ON AUGUST 7 AS TO STATUS OF CASE, HE WAS TOLD THAT FSFA
DID NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION.

5. CONOFF REQUESTED COPY OF COURT DECISION, INFORMATION
CONCERNING NEXT STEP AND NAME OF GOY LAWYER WHO REPRESENTED
U.S. AND WAS PROMISED INFORMATION ASAP.

6. OUR EFFORTS TO REACH MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE WHO
HANDLED CASE SO FAR UNSUCCESSFUL.

7. WILL CONTACT FSFA AGAIN AUGUST 12 AND WILL REPORT
FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.
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